

Tapei language

Tapei is an Arafundi language of Papua New Guinea. It is close to Nanubae; the name Alfendio was once used for both.

Locations

Kassell, et al. (2018) list Imanmeri, Wambrumas, and Yamandim as the villages where Nanubae is spoken. Additionally, there are some speakers in Imboin, which also has Andai speakers.^[3]

According to Ethnologue (22nd edition), it is spoken in Awim (4.753283°S 143.580166°E) and Imboin (4.792407°S 143.661468°E) villages of Karawari Rural LLG, East Sepik Province.^{[4][5]}

Phonology

Auwim consonants are:^[6]

p	t	c	k
ᵇ	ᵈ	ᵣ	ᶢ
m	n	ɳ	ɳ
	r		
w		j	

Tapei	
Imboin	
Native to	Papua New Guinea
Region	East Sepik Province
Native speakers	290 (2005) ^[1]
Language family	Madang – Upper Yuat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upper Yuat ▪ Arafundi ▪ Tapei
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	afp
Glottolog	tape1242 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/tape1242) ^[2]

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